



# NEWSLETTER

DIVINE SCIENCE CHURCH OF THE HEALING CHRIST

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## LESSON TOPICS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

### SEPTEMBER 1

#### LABOR NOT

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Rev. Janet Friedline

We know about physical labor and mental work. To acquire spiritual understanding, we are told to labor not, and give no thought. When we include God in our lives, he does the work. The invitation is "come unto me, and I will give you rest."

is ours as Sons and Daughters of God, as individualized expressions of the Father...and not as persons of the flesh, the ego, the limited personality. Go within, realize Truth in God consciousness; let the Power of God in you, of you, and about you, do the loving work...the good and the very good. "Ye are complete in Him, which is the head of all principality and power." Colossians. 2:10

### SEPTEMBER 8

#### THY WILL IS DONE ON EARTH

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Rev. Donna Gatewood

We are always asking, "What is the will of God?" As long as we continue to think on things of the world, and not of the Spirit, we will never know.

### SEPTEMBER 22

#### SELF SURRENDER

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Rev. Janet Friedline

Our sense of "self," tells us who we think we are. Our reality is eternal life. What we surrender, or give up, is simply the erroneous ideas we entertain about us, a sense of "self" separate and apart from God.

### SEPTEMBER 15

#### OMNIPOTENCE

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Rev. Wayne Gatewood

All that God is we are. Since God has all Power, we too have all Power and are the masters of our existence. Yes, know it, believe it; OMNIPOTENCE

### SEPTEMBER 29

#### FAITH

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Rev. Wayne Gatewood

Do you really have an unshakable Faith in the Truth of your Being as a Child of God? How easy it is when times are good, when our needs are met, when there are no challenges facing us, to walk about praising God and telling ourselves and others that we

have no fear of anything, that we know who we are, and that God is our Shield and Buckler. But, what happens to that Faith when the job is lost, when our supply is low, when there is a so-called health issue or when we are fearful of a person place or thing looming in front of us? "According to your faith, be it unto you." Matthew 9:29



### **Fall 2019 Divine Science Classes**

Two of our fall classes start on Sunday, September 8, 2019, at 9:00 am:

#### **Basic Principle of Divine Science**

**Rev. Wayne Gatewood, Instructor**

*There is no prerequisite for this class. It is open to all.*

The Basic Principle of Divine Science class is the foundation on which all the other classes are built. It is during this class that the student's faith in an ever-present Presence is awakened. Practical Instruction in the application of the teaching is given from the very beginning.

#### **Bible Mystery / Bible Meaning Old Testament**

**Ms. Sylvia Anderson, Instructor**

*Prerequisite: Basic Principle of Divine Science*

This class examines the Old Testament in terms of spiritual awareness. When interpreted through consciousness and personal experiences, the hidden meanings of biblical allegories, parables, and symbolic language are revealed. Students discover that the Bible is the story of their own unfoldment which awakens awareness of their divine nature.

Each class is 10 weeks long, tuition is \$65 and the auditing fee for those repeating the class is \$35. Each class is described in the special Education Issue 2018-2019. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the library.

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## “JUST A THOUGHT”

REV. PAT BEACH

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The approach to life of focusing on good thoughts is of help -- but only to a limited degree. That does give us the opportunity to discover an inner life, it provides the discipline needed to focus attention and it helps us refine our idea of "good." However, if we continue with this practice only, we spend time making human judgments and will miss a spiritual unfoldment.

Our Spiritual unfoldment begins in stillness, knowing "that I [the conscious Being in the midst of thee] am God." This is worship in Spirit and in Truth. There, a deep understanding of Jesus' message is revealed, "Why ask me about what is good? There is only One who is good." Lifted above an appearance of differences the focus is purely on Omnipresent Good. There, beyond human thought, judgment and effort, we rest in the certainty that there is but One Good who is "...Father of *all*, who is above *all*, and through *all*, and in you *all*." This awareness, an experience rather than a thought, is our rock and our salvation. To hold steadfastly to this understanding is to know heaven and earth as one.

Thank You, Most Wondrous God that all may "Let this mind [this One realization] be in you that was also in Christ Jesus." Amen.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Greetings one and all:

The end of Summer is fast approaching and the Fall activities and classes here at church are getting underway. The Summer was an exciting one at church, which is explained below:

1. The July music gala was extremely successful with many in attendance inquiring about another future similar event. Thanks to the members of the Board of Trustees and other members of the congregation, expenses were kept to a minimum. These individuals sponsored everything from the costs of singers and their accompanists, the reception, printing of tickets, flowers for the performers and decorating the Fellowship Hall. Although the concert took place on one of Washington's very warm evenings, we still had reputable attendance, and water was offered to those who wished it. For those individuals who were unable to come, it was a musical evening of opera, musical theater and jazz. Ms. Regina Bratton, Vice President of the Board was the narrator for all of the opera scenes so that the audience would know what the scenario was when the singing was in a foreign language. All of the opera and musical theater performers had been, or still are our own soloists and were accompanied by Mr. George Peachey, a former substitute organist. We were happy to in addition, Ms. Kathy Hankins and Ms. Tiya Miller as our jazz artists, accompanied by Ms. Janelle Gill.

We grossed slightly over \$4,000 from the evening and after expenses, netted a slight excess of \$2,000. This amount was turned over to the church General Fund. Special thanks to the Coates family for setting up the "goodies" and making Fellowship Hall a warm reception venue. Thanks to Rev, Donna Gatewood for spearheading the ticket table and to the church bookkeeper, Ms. Mayu White for doubling as a performer and also for working with Rev. Gatewood on keeping track of ticket sales and other related transactions.

Because of the amount of work that everyone employed to make this event successful, it is our fundraiser for the season and the Board agreed to omit the Chilly Dog Sunday this year.

2. We have Rev. Wayne Gatewood to thank for having the side porch and the steps leading to the downstairs hall painted prior to the concert. Since that time, the roof of the porch has also been replaced. These tasks were completed not only for their aesthetics, but were also done out of necessity.

3. At the 2014 Annual Meeting, it was voted that the church By-Laws be changed to accommodate a Board of 7 rather than 9 individuals. Since that time, our congregation has continued to shrink, with a limited Sunday attendance.. Some of our more active members have made their transitions, others have moved away, etc. The present Board has again discussed officially reducing the size of the Board from 7 to 5 individuals. This must be done by a congregational vote. While we had planned to have an open congregational meeting next month, the last discussion of this sort took place at the Annual Meeting, where we had more members in attendance. We will again do that this coming May. However, since voting for Board members is only through membership, all of this information will be on the May ballot. This allows for all of the information to be available to voting members. More on this subject will be in the January newsletter when openings for Board members will be announced.

***"Great is our Lord and of great power; his understanding is infinite". Psalms 147:5***

Shirley Taylor Moore, President  
Board of Trustees



# BOOKSTORE FINANCIAL REPORT

The Profit and Loss Statement (P&L) for the last fiscal quarter—April through June—is presented to the right for your information. A brief overview of a very brief statement shows that our total income was \$636.66. This income is made up of book sales in the amount of \$414.16, Un-restricted donations in the amount of \$70.00, gift certificate sales totaling \$50.00, one library membership at \$10.00 and CD sales in the amount of \$90.00. We had no expenses during the quarter.

Thanks to all of you who continue to support the bookstore. We appreciate your business.

Love and Blessings,

Rev. Donna Gatewood



## **Bookstore Profit and Loss** **Apr – June 2019**

<b><u>Income</u></b>	
<b>Book Sales</b>	<b>414.16</b>
<b>Contributions – Other</b>	<b>70.00</b>
<b>Gift Certificate Sales</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Library Membership</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>Tape and CD sales</b>	<b>92.50</b>
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$636.66</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>	
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>\$636.66</b>

## Coming Events!



**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am**

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The Divine Science Classes start



**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> 12:15 pm**

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Board Meeting

***Ongoing Prayer and Study Group***

***Tuesdays***  
***6:30 pm***

### **DIVINE SCIENCE MINISTERS**

Rev. Janet Friedline	202-362-5044
Rev. Donna Gatewood	703-641-9141
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### **OFFICE COVERAGE**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

10:00am - 3:00pm

Rev. Wayne Gatewood

### **THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Shirley Taylor-Moore, *President*

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Gene Policastri, *Secretary,*

Judy Coleman-Kla,

Rev. Wayne Gatewood, *Ex-Officio*

# THE DS CHURCH GALLERY

## Musical Gala 2019 "A Midsummer Night's Music"

